



It isn't only the women who gossip. Corners in the clubs hold the "he information venders" in abundance.

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tem has killed my judgment. I no longer know a good play from a bad one. The sooner they 'scrap' me the better.

"You and I," he continued, "have seen our period out. What comes next on the American stage? Cheap prices, I suppose. Best seats everywhere for a dollar, or even 50 cents. With music and shows alone expected. Audiences will come to ribbons actors' salaries pared to nothing. Popular drama to bloody, murderous, out-and-out comedy. Crook plays, shogun plays, slinky American farces, and women invading the auditorium as Paris.

"And then?" asked I.

"Chaos," said he. "Entertainers will and I won't live to see it. Tomorrow will be a day of tears. All America is in a time band 'cheer us up'."

In his cabin on the "Esperanza,"

showed me a mass of yellow manuscript scribbled over with hazy marks in blue pencil.

"That's my play," he said very simply.

"Shall I take it home and read it?" I asked.

"No," he replied. "I will read it to you and you will tell me of Barrie and being in the right shape."

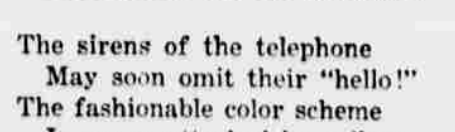
So he shook hands and I left him in his cherished drawing room, where I lay not on the pattern of Mabel's dress but at the bottom of the Prince's

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They were about to be married, when Theodore suddenly invited them to his court, assuring them not only of the security of their lives and property but also of his favor. Complying with his invitation, they returned, but with evil results, as far as their mutual attachment was concerned. For they had been secretly married, Theodore's wife, Theodora, had been the daughter of a Greek of Abyssinia, and married a man of the Greek origin of the name of Alex. Rutabios, who ill used her in a shameful manner, being accompanied by his wife unmercifully. Making use of an old-fashioned plea that she was a

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An heiress bought a trolley line.  
Which happened to disturb her.  
The Queen of Ethiopia  
Will have no lord to curb her.  
Great Britain is prepared to fight  
Till Kultur is defeated.  
The Teuton cause  
Is at a pause,  
And Greece will not be seated.



is green, attacked by yellow.



It was while living with the Prince and Kasi Waga, the new Empress's present husband, that Taitu was introduced to the time into contact with her lover and fiancé Menelik. Meanwhile became King. Their meeting had the effect of all the former infatuation between them and in spite of the fact that he was already married, Menelik decided to take up with Taitu to take up her place.

Of course Menelik's wife, Tefana, daughter of Negus Zeredin, daughter of Negus Zeredin, objected. But she divorced and Menelik's dissolution of her marriage altogether surprised her. She was thus left without the affections of Menelik, and to him with imposing 1885.

From that time forward Menelik continued to be in peace with Italy. But the marvelous influence of the was wont to compass her thing and inevitably her view it was of course the sagacious course to that each excellent relationship to John, which had the result of giving to him the successful personal throne. The shrewdness with which Menelik Emperor managed for many years to oppose the efforts made by the armed of diplomatic nature and shaped attacks to obtain his country's independence ascribed by his people and to the remarkable character of the modern Queen of Sheba and Taitu, "Queen of Queen and